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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Examiner Lin:

This is a response to the office action dated April 5, 2006. Applicants elect the following species (noting that the numbered paragraphs below correspond to the examiner's numbered paragraphs):

1. wherein the inflated state is greater than a range of an intended expanded configuration.
2. wherein the inflated state is maintained at the same or generally same level during the application of the substance.
3. wherein the balloon is reduced to a deflated state or to the collapsed configuration prior to or during the process of removal of the fluid carrier.
4. wherein the inflated state is maintained at the same or a generally same level during the removal of the fluid.
5. wherein the gas is blown subsequent to the application of the substance.

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6. wherein the balloon is inflated prior to application of the substance.

Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 13, 15, 16, 18 and 19 are readable on the elected species. The elected species are "consistent" with each other as required by paragraph 7 of the office action. Finally, this election is being made without traverse.

The undersigned authorizes any fees that may be required, or credit of any overpayment to be made to Deposit Account No. 07-1850.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number shown below.

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